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# 148 WARSHIPS

Line of English Fleet Ex-

er to Westminster Bridge. London, July 18 .- One hundred and forty-eight British warships dropped anchor in the Thames last night, the array extending from the estuary at the south end of the river to West-minster Bridge, in the heart of Lon-don. The total tonnage of this fleet is 750,000, its cost is \$310,000,000, and it is officered and manned by 42,000 of pick-ed sons of the nation

ed sons of the nation.

More warships—165 to be exact—assembled for the naval review at Spithead in 1897, but at least thirty of those could neither steam nor fight, and were there simply for show pur-poses. The fleet now converging on the Thames is without a useless or obsolete unit. Every one of the 148 ves-sels could go into battle at a moment's notice and give a good account of

· What is the object of this extended and superb display of British fighting power afloat? First, it is anti-panic show. Uneasiness prevails in every quarter of Britain. Anxiety in the higher circles as to the condition of the country's defense has bred apprenension and pessimism throughout the

body politic.

Lord Roberts says the army is a tragic joke. Admiral Beresford says the navy is not what it has been con-sidered. And Germany is accused of having aggressive designs against the peace and liberty of Britons. The re-sult of all this ferment is that the country is in danger of "going off its head." The mighty armada on the Thames, the assembling of which has been saddened by the loss of a sub-marine in the North Sea Wednesday night, is the Admiralty's heroic seda-tive

"They have made the country think that we have no navy," says Admiral Fisher. "The British millions may now line up along the Thames, go out in boats and see the great reality for themselves."

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#### THE HAT STRIKE TO BE CONTINUED

New Jersey Hatters Almost Unanimous In Vote Not to End Labor Trouble of

Long Standing. Danbury, July 18.—The vote of New-ark and Orange, N. J., hatters upon the question of ending the six months' strike for the union label and returnng to work under propositions made by the manufacturers, or continuing the strike along its present lines, re-sulted in an almost unanimous vote to continue the strike. Of 3,384 votes cast,

only ten were in favor of ending the The ballot was a secret one and was taken under the direction of President John A. Moffitt and the other national John A. Moffitt and the other national officers of the United Hatters of North America.the Rev. Father John F. Boylan, of Orange Valley, and Mayor Walter A. Flint, of West Orange.

The voting was carried on separately in Newark and in Orange. In Newark 1,977 ballots were cast. Of these 1,970 were for continuing the strike, six were a shandon the strike and one was a

to work without the union label being placed on their product or wish for strike, which began in January, to continue, was begun at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

That the strikers are deeply interested was manifest by the fact that fully an hour before the polls opened at the voting place in this city, 66 South Torange avenue, 300 men had gathered to cast their ballots and their number was increased rapidly. The union hatters in the Oranges voted at the armory in that city.

The egg, still unexposed, with the formal complaint, was referred to Assistant Attorney General Fowler, who has charge of the legal phase of the pure food crusade. The egg is docketed number 147.563, "subject: Transmits a bolled egg which he believes is rotten. It seems so. File."

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It is expected that about 5,000 members of the hatting craft will cast ballots. They will vote simply "Yes" or "No" and special committee of tellers made up of union representatives as well as appropriates of the grand as well as appointees of the grand London, July 18.—Bernard Shaw jury committee that called for the vote, has sent a letter to the Saturday Re-

National President John A. Moffitt and National Vice-President Frank

Shalvoy, spent the morning with other officials at the headquarters of the Orange locals, at Main and Cone streets arranging the final details for the bal-

"It is now for the men to again say what they want." Mr. Moffitt said to-day, and he added that he felt assured that the result would be a vindication of the officers of the union of the charge that they are acting contrary to the wishes of the majority of their



#### YALE GRIDIRON HERO IN POLITICS

New York, July 17.—Morris U. Ely of Brooklyn Heights and Yale shook his fist savagely as he glanced over a clipping from an evening paper telling of his proposed fight against D. Harry Ralston in Dady's district for executive member at the coming primaries. What seemed to irritate Mr. Ely as he scowled at the offending scrap of pascowled at the offending scrap of pa-per in his office at 115 Broadway yes-terday afternoon was the fact that he

terday afternoon was the fact that he was featured as a gridiron hero with many performances. Mr. Ely failed to see how this had any bearing on his coming prominence in the limelight of Brooklyn local politics.

He was somewhat consoled by the reflection that when Big Bill Edwards and Jim Hogan started at their jobs as high pressure water broom sweepers and guardians of the cleanliness of the city's streets they were obliged to submit to being referred to as former luminaries in the pigskir world. But even then he couldn't see the con-

WARSHIPS
IN THE THAMES

| nection between a quarterback and an executive member.
| But since it seemed inevitable that a man couldn't live down an athletic record, as Mr. Ely remarked, he admitted under pressure that there was a time when he played football. That was a way, back in the days before he was away back in the days before he came to be a member of the law firm tends from Mouth of Rivtends from Mouth of R he finished in the academic depart-ment at New Haven in '98 and after that he went to the Yale law school for a year. But studying and ath-letics didn't go hand in hand, and not willing to agree that if your studies interfere with your regular college course the thing to do is to cut out your studies, he came down to the New York Law School and was admitted to the bar the next year. Since then he has been just a plain lawyer. Mr. Ely's chief cause for regret was that when he played regularly on the that when he played regularly on the Yale team it was in the fall that Poe of Princeton snatched the game out of the mud by making the run that has been sung by the bards of assau ever since. That was the 6-0 game when Princeton won, though Yale men have never tired of declaring that the Blue players had them tied to the goal posts for actual ground gained.

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But to get back to Mr. Ely, the politician. About a year ago a lot of Republicans over on the Heights decided that the organization wasn't giving them all they say they were entitled to in the management of things po-litical. They weren't always notified when the caucuses were going to be held, and there were other little griev-ances that amounted to a good deal when taken together. So they form-ed the Union Republican Club, with headquarters at 76 Court street. They believed that the best way to fight organization was with organization.

The first scrap they started was last fall when they opposed Ralston at the primaries. They lost, Mr. Ely frankly admitted yesterday, but they were not down by any means. Those op-posed to them said one reason they didn't get away with a victory was that the organization was a silk stocling one whose members were out of town over Labor Day. The pri-maries happened to fell on the der maries happened to fall on the day after Labor Day. But Mr. Ely denied that they were either silk stockings or highbrows. They were made up of every kind of men, representing all classes and conditions.

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Col. Michael J. Dady could not be found yesterday in his offices at 359 Fulton street, Brooklyn, where the most conspicuous piece of mural decoration is an enlarged photograph of Timothy L. Woodruff. But from what could be learned it seemed safe to assume that the Brooklyn sub-boss is not greatly worried over the primaries. not greatly worried over the primaries next September. He still has another year to serve in the executive commit-tee anyway.

Many people with chronic throat and lung trouble have found comfort and relief in Foley's Honey and Tar as it cures stubborn coughs after other relief in Foley's Honey and Tar as it cures stubborn coughs after other treatment has falled. L. M. Ruggles, Reasnor, Iowa, writes: "The doctors said I had consumption, and I got no better until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It stopped the hemorrhages and pain in my lungs and they are now as sound as a builet." F. B. Brill, local agent

#### LAW TO DECIDE IF EGG IS ROTTEN North Dakota Man Sends Sample to Washington by Express.

Washington, July 18 - "Why and when is a rotten egg?" is the issue formally hid before the Department of Justice to-day with a view to Government prosecution in the Northwest. While Attorney General Wickersham was engrosssed with the details of the

were for continuing the strike, six were to abandon the strike and one was a rejected ballot.

In Orange 1,407 ballots were cast, 1,404 being in favor of continuing the strike and three to abandon it. According to dispatches from Orange 335 women out of a total of 450 voted there.

The polls opened at three o'clock and closed at half-past nine. The counting of ballots was not finished until midnight.

The Newark News last evening said of the preparations for the ballot:.

Balloting by the union hatters of this city and the Oranges on the question of whether they are willing to return to work without the union label being placed on their product or wish for strike which have had the strike and one was a rejected with the details of the corporation tax amendment a couple of days ago a messenger rushed into the balloting was emissenger rushed into the balloting was emissenger rushed into the balloting was person of Clark, S. D., reading: "I this day sent package by United States Express for examination." That was all, and officials speculated. To-day the package came. Within, carefully sealed, according to invoice, was an egg of uncertain age, and with it was this complaint: "I this day sent package by United States Express for examination." That was all, and officials speculated. To-day the package came. Within, carefully sealed, according to invoice, was an egg of uncertain age, and with it was this complaint: "I this day sent package by United States Express for examination." That was all, and officials speculated. To-day the package came. Within, carefully sealed, according to invoice, was an egg of uncertain age, and with it was this complaint. "This day sent package by United States Express for examination." That was all, and officials speculated. To-day the package came. Within, carefully sealed, according to invoice, was all, and officials speculated. To-day the package came. Within, carefully sealed, according to invoice, was all, and officials speculated. To-day the package of uncertain age, and with it

ment did not receive the sample at its best. Don't blame the hen."

#### SHAW SLAMS THE CZAR

The Much Censored Dramatist Speak His Mind in the Saturday Review and four other disinterested persons, view explaining his reason for parand four other disinterested persons, will count the vote.

The tally sheets, ballots and oth accessories were turned over to the special committee at the Newark meeting prior to the opening of the polls. The polls, James Byrne, secretary of the local executive committee of the hatters, said, would be kept open long enough to give every man and woman an opportunity to vote.

It is estimated that about 2,000 members of the trade will vote here and about 3,000 in Orange.

National President John A. Moffitt their nearest well behaved relative." off their heads or replace them by their nearest well behaved relative." After referring to the "abominable tyranny of which the Czar is the representative," Mr. Shaw concludes by expressing the hope that the Saturday Review will charter a canal barge decorate it with Union Jacks, surmounted by caps of liberty and black flags, in mourning for the Czar's vicflags, in mourning for the Czar's vic-tims, and "place it well in evidence in the Solent on the day of our national disgrace."



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